

employees from House contingent fund. See section 8708 of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

Section 129, Pub. L. 85-75, July 1, 1957, 71 Stat. 248, authorized contributions to retirement and disability fund from House contingent fund. See section 8334 of Title 5.

**§ 130. Repealed. Pub. L. 95-391, title I, § 111, Sept. 30, 1978, 92 Stat. 777**

Section, Pub. L. 87-730, §103, Oct. 2, 1962, 76 Stat. 693; H. Res. 163, Mar. 19, 1975; Pub. L. 95-94, title I, §115, Aug. 5, 1977, 91 Stat. 668, authorized payment of expenses of participation by House in interparliamentary institutions. See section 130-1 of this title.

The repeal of this section is based on a part of section 2 of House Resolution No. 1047, Ninety-fifth Congress, Apr. 4, 1978, which was enacted into permanent law by Pub. L. 95-391.

**EFFECTIVE DATE OF REPEAL**

Section 2 of House Resolution No. 1047, Ninety-fifth Congress, which was enacted into permanent law by Pub. L. 95-391, provided that the repeal is effective upon the enactment of House Resolution No. 1047 as permanent law, which was effected by Pub. L. 95-391, §111, effective Sept. 30, 1978.

**NINETY-FIFTH CONGRESS**

Section 2 of House Resolution No. 1047, Ninety-fifth Congress, Apr. 4, 1978, enacted into permanent law by Pub. L. 95-391, provided that this section would not be effective in the Ninety-fifth Congress upon the adoption of H. Res. 1047.

**AUTHORIZATION FOR PAYMENT OF EXPENSES FROM CONTINGENT FUND OF HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FOR PARTICIPATORY ACTIVITIES**

Section 1 of House Resolution No. 434, Ninety-fifth Congress, Mar. 31, 1977, enacted into permanent law by Pub. L. 95-94, title I, §115, Aug. 5, 1977, 91 Stat. 668, which provided that, until otherwise provided by law, there was to have been paid out of the contingent fund of the House of Representatives such sums as may have been necessary, but not to exceed \$15,000 in any calendar year, for the payment of expenses incurred in carrying out this section, was repealed by section 2 of H. Res. 1047, Ninety-fifth Congress, Apr. 4, 1978, which was enacted into permanent law by section 111 of Pub. L. 95-391, effective Sept. 30, 1978.

**§ 130-1. Participation by House in interparliamentary institutions; reception of members of foreign legislative bodies and foreign officials; meetings with Government officials**

(a) It is the purpose of this section to enable the House of Representatives more properly to discharge and coordinate its activities and responsibilities in connection with participation in various interparliamentary institutions, to facilitate the interchange and reception in the United States of members of foreign legislative bodies and permanent officials of foreign governments, and to enable the House of Representatives to host meetings with senior United States Government officials and other dignitaries in order to discuss matters relevant to United States relations with other countries.

(b) For payment of expenses incurred in carrying out subsection (a) of this section, there shall be paid out of the applicable accounts of the House of Representatives, until otherwise provided by law, such sums as may be necessary but not to exceed \$40,000 in any calendar year. Such

payments shall be made on vouchers signed by the chairman of the Committee on Foreign Affairs and approved by the Committee on House Oversight.

(Pub. L. 95-391, title I, §111, Sept. 30, 1978, 92 Stat. 777; Pub. L. 103-437, §2(b), Nov. 2, 1994, 108 Stat. 4581; Pub. L. 104-186, title II, §204(72), Aug. 20, 1996, 110 Stat. 1741; Pub. L. 105-275, title I, §102, Oct. 21, 1998, 112 Stat. 2438; Pub. L. 108-83, title I, §103(e), Sept. 30, 2003, 117 Stat. 1017.)

**CODIFICATION**

Section is based on section 1 of House Resolution No. 1047, Ninety-fifth Congress, Apr. 4, 1978, which was enacted into permanent law by Pub. L. 95-391.

**AMENDMENTS**

2003—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 108-83 substituted “\$40,000” for “\$80,000”.

1998—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 105-275 substituted “\$80,000” for “\$55,000”.

1996—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 104-186 substituted “applicable accounts of the House of Representatives” for “contingent fund of the House” and “House Oversight” for “House Administration”.

1994—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 103-437 substituted “Committee on Foreign Affairs” for “Committee on International Relations”.

**CHANGE OF NAME**

Committee on House Oversight of House of Representatives changed to Committee on House Administration of House of Representatives by House Resolution No. 5, One Hundred Sixth Congress, Jan. 6, 1999.

**§ 130-2. Office of Interparliamentary Affairs**

**(a) Establishment**

There is hereby established in the House of Representatives an office to be known as the “Office of Interparliamentary Affairs” (hereafter in this section referred to as the “Office”).

**(b) Duties**

The duties of the Office are as follows:

(1) To receive and respond to inquiries from foreign parliamentarians or foreign legislative bodies regarding official visits to the House of Representatives.

(2) To coordinate official visits to the House of Representatives by parliamentarians, officers, or employees of foreign legislative bodies.

(3) To coordinate with the Sergeant at Arms, the Clerk, and other officers of the House of Representatives in providing services for delegations of Members on official visits to foreign nations.

(4) To carry out other activities to—

(A) discharge and coordinate the activities and responsibilities of the House of Representatives in connection with participation in various interparliamentary exchanges and organizations;

(B) facilitate the interchange and reception in the United States of members of foreign legislative bodies and permanent officials of foreign governments; and

(C) enable the House to host meetings with senior government officials and other dignitaries in order to discuss matters relevant to United States relations with other nations.